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INTERVAL EQUIPMENT OF A NUCLEAR  
REACTOR

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE STATEMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice mailed in the above-captioned case on May 6, 2004, attached please find Property Rights Statements which have been executed by the inventors.

In view of the above, consideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

In the event that the Examiner believes an interview might serve to advance the prosecution of this application in any way, the undersigned attorney is available at the telephone number noted below.

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Docket No.: 20513-00599-US

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declare:

That I (we) made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application:

Serial Number 10/734,247 filed in the United States of America on December 15, 2003

intit Method and Apparatus for Handling a Tube Guide of Upper Interval  
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(Check and complete either I or II below)

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☒ I. (For Inventors Employed by an Organization) That I (we) made and conceived this invention while employed by FRAMATOME-ANP. That the invention is related to the work I am (we are) employed to perform and was made within the scope of my (our) employment duties; That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of FRAMATOME-ANP. Other relevant facts are \_\_\_\_\_

That to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief:

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